



## **COIN COUNTER AND TICKET DISPENSER FOR A GAME MACHINE**

### **Field of the Invention**

A gaming system which pays out a bonus to a player playing a gaming machine.

### **Background of the Invention**

US Patent 5,810,664 relates to an electronic gaming apparatus which preferably corresponds to and effectively automates games of chance, for example, the game known as the "pull-tab". The apparatus is generally played by a single player and is designed to dispense a ticket containing indicia thereon. A large number of tickets are in the apparatus and the player actuates the apparatus and obtains a dispensed ticket. If the indicia which appears on the ticket constitutes winning or scoring indicia, the player obtains a reward. All tickets are preprinted and may be dispensed from a bin containing pre-cut tickets. Otherwise, the tickets may be severed from a strip in the form of a roll containing all of the tickets sequentially. The apparatus comprises a display means which displays each of the indicia on a ticket. The display is operated in a manner so that the indicia are effectively scrolled across the display screen to generate an image of rotating wheels which display the indicia. A method of distributing pre-printed rolls of tickets is provided such that each player of the gaming apparatus plays against every other player and not just the gaming apparatus.

US Patent 4,652,998 relates to a video gaming system with pool prize structures including remote game terminals and a central controller with two-way communications between the remote game terminals and the central controller. Prize awards are based upon random shuffling of a set of prize awards among a predetermined pool of plays for